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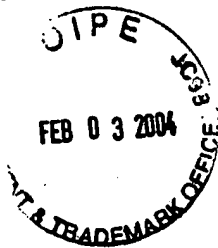
In re application of:

Vincent RAYMOND *et al.*

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and Uses Thereof**



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Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response be extended one (1) month from January 3, 2004 to February 3, 2004, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$110 for a one (1) month extension for a large entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, other than those provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Authorization to charge the \$110 extension of time fee is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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